

Studies in Daniel – (Study 6)
But there is a God in heaven...

Reading: Daniel 2:24-36

At the end of our last study we left Daniel praising God that He had given to him the interpretation of the king's dream. Daniel is now able to intervene and save the lives of the wise men as well as his own.

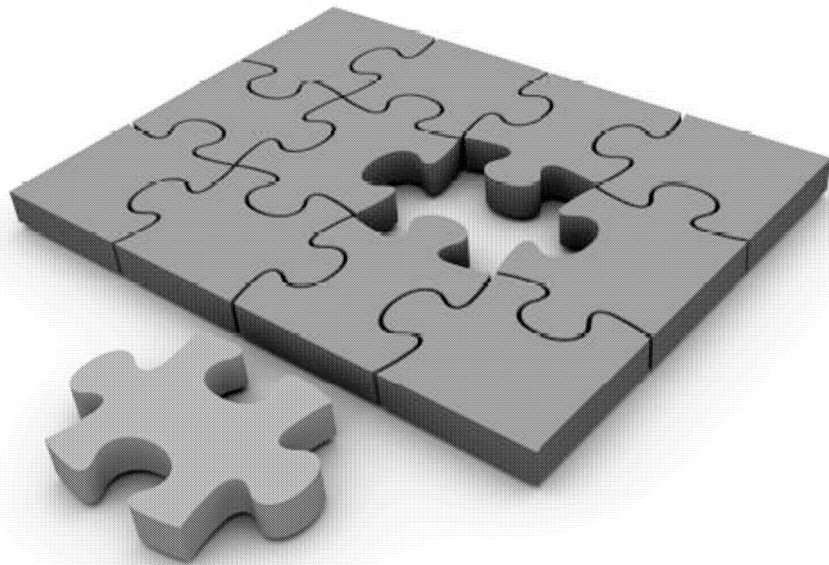
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The right context for both the dream and its interpretation is established in verses 26-28.

- 1) Compare the words of Daniel in verses 26-28 with those of his fellow 'wise men' in verses 10-11. *What contrasts do you identify between the two statements?*
- 2) What does verse 29 tell us about the way in which God is in control of the situation and that it is part of His plan?
- 3) In verse 30, what does Daniel say about himself and about his role in this whole affair?

In verses 31-35 we hear the details of the dream:

- 4) There is significance about the use of the particular metals in verses 32-34. *What do you associate with:
Gold and Silver?
Bronze and Iron?*
- 5) In relation to a key part of the body which is described, we are told that there is some clay among the metals. *What does this incompatible element suggest about the statue?*
- 6) Although we do not yet have an interpretation for the dream, verses 34-35 suggest something far more powerful than any earthly king. *What things are identified in these verses that suggest God is at the centre of what is going to happen?*
- 7) From the head of gold to the feet of clay there is a steady deterioration. *What does this suggest about the statue?*



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